COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Legislative Session of Makaram 1101.

Thursday, the 4th of February 1926. / 22nd of Makaram 1101.

The House assembled in the Town Hall, Ernakulam, at 11—30 a. m. on the 22nd of Makaram 1101 with the President in the Chair. Messrs. C. Achyuta Menon, K. Krishna Menon, P. Kunju Muhammad, Lonappan Chakkola, P. Munda Vaidyan and T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar were absent.

Questions and Answers.

Certain Allegations against a Sub-Inspector.

Mr. POULO MAMPILLI.

239. Has the attention of the Government been drawn to an article published in the *Cochin Argus* in its issue of the 31st October 1925, under the heading "The Cochin Police"?

Mr. SHEIK ABDUL QADIR SAHIB BAHADUR.

Yes.

Mr. POULO MAMPILLI.

240. Will the Government be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Division Inspector of Police reported that the allegations against the Sub-Inspector concerned are true?

Mr. SHEIK ABDUL QADIR SAHIB BAHADUR

It is not a fact.

Mr. POULO MAMPILLI.

241. (a) Will the Government be pleased to state the result of the enquiry conducted by the Commissioner of Police and the action taken as a result of the enquiry?

(b) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table the report of the Division Inspector and the records of the enquiry by the Commissioner?

Mr. SHEIK ABDUL QADIR SAHIB BAHADUR.

(a) The evidence recorded during the course of the enquiry was weak and not free from defects. Charges were however

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framed against the Sub-Inspector, and his explanation taken, and he was warned.

(b) Government think that no useful purpose will be served by the request being complied with, as all the necessary information in the case has been furnished in the answer to part (a).

Mr. POULO MAMPILLI.

242. Will the Government be pleased to state if the Sub-Inspector concerned has an unblemished record of service?

Mr. SHEIK ABDUL QADIR SAHIB BAHADUR.

He had no serious punishments other than 2 black marks and a fine.

Subscription towards Police Sports.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

243. Will the Government be pleased to state

(a) Whether the Police Officers in service have intimated the Government or the Commissioner of Police that they would not subscribe anything towards the expenses of the Police Sports;

(b) Whether the Government is aware that the present discontent is growing in strength, and it may even lead on the part of Police Officers to non-co-operation with the Police service in the State?

Mr. SHEIK ABDUL QADIR SAHIB BAHADUR.

(a) A few Sub-Inspectors have intimated their unwillingness to subscribe to the Sports fund.

(b) Government are not aware of any reasonable discontent which is likely to lead to any non-co-operation on the part of the Police Officers.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

How many Sub-Inspectors have intimated their unwillingness to subscribe?

Mr. SHEIK ABDUL QADIR SAHIB BAHADUR.

About four or five. They refused to subscribe.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

Is it not a sign of discontent?

Mr. SHEIK ABDUL QADIR SAHIB BAHADUR.

Not necessarily.

Mr. K. T. MATHEW.

There are so many questions put by me, and if they are put together, then I would be in a better position to put supplementary questions.

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